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REMARKS

The subject matter of independent claims 1, 19 and 21 is based on claims filed in the parent application on August 18, 2003. Those claims were rejected as obvious over UEMATSU et al. 5,302,214. The presently pending claims have the further recitation of W being from more than about 2.00% to about 5.00%. Further, there are dependent claims, e.g. claim 5, which recite W comprising from more than 2.00% to no more than 3.00%.

Support for these recitations can be found at least from specification page 17, line 19 as well as table: 1, steel numbers 22, 23, and 25.

UEMATSU et al. at column 3, line 40, clearly indicates a 1.5% upper limit of W. Therefore, Applicant's believe it is clear that the present invention is distinguished from this reference.

Applicants believe the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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